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14.	Tamil Nadu	To allocate 81000 MT of rice w.e.f. June 1997 for six months.	Additional allocation of 81000 MT rice per month has been made at economic cost.
15.	Tripura	To allocate 1020 MT of rice *w.e f.* June 1997.	Additional allocation of 1020 MT rice per month has been made at economic cost.
16.	Uttar Pradesh	Request to allot addl. 2.00 lakh MT of wheat per annum.	Not possible to accomodate the request in view of the stock constraints.
17.	West Bengal	Restoration of allocation of foodgrains to May '97 level (pre TPDS).	Not possible to accomodate the request in view of the stock constraints.
18.	Delhi	Enhancement in monthly allocation— Wheat from 40,400 to 65,000 MT and Rice from 12,890 to 20,000 MT. Besides it, to allocate 80 MT of rice and 150 MT of wheat w.e.f. July 97 for Para Military Forces.	Not possible to accomodate the request in view of the stock constraints. However additional allocation of 80 MT of rice and 150 MT of wheat w.e.f. July 97 has been made at economic cost for para-Military Forces.

Re-Categorisation of Subsidy Under Drip Irrigation Scheme

1099. SHRI SANAT MEHTA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up a Committee for the re-categorisation of States for the distribution of subsidy under Drip Irrigation Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have received the recommendations from the said Committee;

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating the States which have been categorised;

(e) if not, the stage at which the matter is pending at present; and

(f) the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) and (b) No Sir. However a Committee was constituted in August, 1996 to go into various aspects of the cost of the components and system used for drip irrigation.

(c) to (f) Does not arise.

Scholarship to SC/ST

1100. SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been gross irregularities in the disbursement of scholarships to the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students in different parts of the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount granted as grants to States/UTs during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b) The irregularities in the disbursement of Scholarship to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students in the States of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh have come to the notice through press reports. The State Governments have been requested to send the details in this regard. The Central assistance released to the State Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh during last three years under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship to students belonging to Scheduled Castes